



**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Koji SHIGEMATSU et al.

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Docket No.: 111607

For: A PROJECTION OPTICAL SYSTEM, A PROJECTION EXPOSURE APPARATUS AND A PROJECTION EXPOSURE METHOD

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> EXTENSION  
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